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## **Statement by Governor Jan Brewer**

PHOENIX – “This evening I will file a motion to dismiss in the lawsuit *Friendly House v. Whiting*, one of the federal cases challenging Arizona’s new immigration law filed by the ACLU, SEIU and others. Like the motions to dismiss I filed last week in *Frisancho v. Brewer* and *Salgado v. Brewer*, I have moved to dismiss the plaintiffs’ challenges in this ACLU lawsuit on the grounds that they lack standing to pursue their claims and have failed to establish any real and immediate threat of harm.

“My motion to dismiss also establishes that the plaintiffs’ other claims, including the allegation that federal law preempts certain provisions of Arizona’s immigration law, are equally without merit and reflect a fundamental misunderstanding by the plaintiffs with respect to the language of Arizona’s immigration law in addition to well-established law in this area. For these reasons, I have asked the federal court to dismiss this lawsuit in its entirety.”

A copy of the Governor’s filing will be posted Monday at [www.azgovernor.gov](http://www.azgovernor.gov).

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